IN THE HIGH COURT OF KERALA AT ERNAKULAM

PRESENT :

THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE C.N.RAMACHANDRAN NAIR

MONDAY, THE 23RD JULY 2007 / 1ST SRAVANA 1929

WP(C).No. 20054 of 2007(K)

---

PETITIONER:

---

SARA, W/O LATE POCKERKUTTY,
PUTHIYAPURAYIL HOUSE,
KOODATHAI BAZAR P.O.,
THAMARASSERY, KOZHIKODE.

BY ADV. SRI.M.C.ANTONY

RESPONDENTS:

---

1. THE KERALA STATE ELECTRICITY BOARD,
REPRESENTED BY ITS SECRETARY,
VAIDYUTHI BHAVAN, PATTOM,
THIRUVANANTHAPURAM.

2. THE DEPUTY CHIEF ENGINEER,
ELECTRICAL CIRCLE, KOZHIKODE.

BY ADV. SHRI.P.P.THAJUDEEN, SC, KSEB

THIS WRIT PETITION (CIVIL) HAVING COME UP FOR ADMISSION ON 23/07/2007, THE COURT ON THE SAME DAY DELIVERED THE FOLLOWING:

**C.N.RAMACHANDRAN NAIR, J.**

**----------**

**WP(C) No. 20054 of 2007**

**----------**

**Dated, this the 23rd day of July, 2007**

**J U D G M E N T**

Since learned Standing Counsel for KSEB submitted that Office of the Land Acquisition Officer is abolished, and Executive Engineer of KSEB is the authority to determine compensation for cutting of trees, this writ petition is disposed of directing the concerned Executive Engineer, who is stated to be the Executive Engineer, KSEB, Balussery, to pass orders on petitioner's claim for compensation after hearing petitioner and after verifying records at the earliest, in any case within two months from the date of production of a copy of this judgment. In view of the inordinate delay in determining the compensation, there will be direction to the respondents to release the compensation amount awarded and pay the same to the petitioner within six weeks from the date of passing the award.

**(C.N.RAMACHANDRAN NAIR, JUDGE)**

jg